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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: 27 Jun 94 18:05:57 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: * SpaceNews 27-Jun-94 *
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

SB NEWS @ AMSAT \$SPC0627
* SpaceNews 27-Jun-94 *

BID: \$SPC0627

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SpaceNews
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MONDAY JUNE 27, 1994

SpaceNews originates at KD2BD in Wall Township, New Jersey, USA. It is published every week and is made available for unlimited distribution.

* DOVE TESTING CONTINUES *

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At about 6/11/94 05:30 UTC controllers completed a reload of the DOVE software and activated another voice test. The pronunciation of the word 'Hi' is a bit different and the overall amplitude of the voice is higher.

Controllers expect to continue the hardware testing process after a period of software development on the ground that will probably last several days to a few weeks.

The following packet frames were received from DOVE by KD2BD late last week:

DOVE-1>TIME-1 <UI>:

PHT: uptime is 014/02:11:51. Time is Fri Jun 24 16:11:31 1994

DOVE-1>BRAMST <UI>:

0500 utc 14 June 1994

Voice Module now active

Software testing continues

S-Band transmitter is off

73 DOVE Command Team (WJ9F)

Reception reports of how well the voice is heard with simple receiving equipment (like an HT and rubber duck) would be appreciated. Please send reports via the Internet to WJ9F, PY2BJO, WD0E, VK7ZBX, or N5AHD @amsat.org. Telemetry is not needed at this time.

[Info via Jim White, WD0E, of the DOVE command team]

* STS-65 SAREX INFORMATION *

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Shuttle mission STS-65 using orbiter "Columbia" is scheduled for launch on 08-Jul-94 at 17:06 UTC for a 14-day microgravity scientific mission. A SAREX package in configuration 'C' will be carried on Columbia on this mission. Crew members Donald A. Thomas, Mission Specialist, KC5FVF, and Robert D. Cabana, (callsign?) are among the licensed astronauts flying on mission STS-65.

The primary payload for STS-65 is the International Microgravity Laboratory (IML-02), that includes a complement of international experiments with its main focus on materials and life sciences research in microgravity. The payload crew members will perform the experiments in a "gravity gradient" stabilized attitude (shuttle tail pointed toward Earth) to maintain the best possible laboratory conditions with the least gravitational disturbances in the Spacelab.

One of the secondary payloads will be the Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment. SAREX configuration C consists of a 2-meter handheld transceiver, I/F module, PGSC, spare battery set, window antenna, packet module, SAREX headset assembly, personal recorder, and required cable assemblies. The packet module contains a power supply and packet TNC. The power supply provides power for the TNC and the handheld transceiver. The TNC interconnects with a radio transceiver so that data to and from the computer is transmitted to and received from other amateur radio stations. Configuration C is capable of operating in either the voice or data mode in communications with amateur stations within LOS of the Orbiter. This configuration can be operated in the attended mode for voice communication and either the attended or automatic mode for data communications. The payload control weight for SAREX configuration C is 45 lb (20.41 kg).

SAREX sponsors include the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), The Radio Amateur Satellite Corporation (AMSAT), and The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). SAREX is supported by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The crew will use separate receive and transmit frequencies. PLEASE DO NOT transmit on the Shuttle's downlink frequency. The SAREX frequencies for mission STS-65 are as follows:

Voice Downlink: (Worldwide) 145.55 MHz [Receive Only]
Voice Uplink: 144.91, 144.93, 144.95, 144.97, 144.99 MHz
Voice Uplink: (Europe only) 144.70, 144.75, 144.80 MHz
Packet Downlink: 145.55 MHz
Packet Uplink: 144.49 MHz

KC5FVF is the callsign that will be used for making voice contacts. W5RRR-1 will be used for packet radio connections.

QSLs and reception (SWL) reports should be sent to the ARRL EAD, STS-65 QSL, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111, USA. Include the following information in your QSL or report: STS-65, date, time in UTC, frequency and mode (FM voice or packet). In addition, a large, business sized SASE must be included if you wish to receive a card in return. The Lake County Amateur Radio Club in Munster, Indiana, has generously volunteered to manage the cards for this mission.

The following is STS-65 Keplerian element set JSC-003:

STS-65

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1 00065U          94189.76284929 .00052344 00000-0 15762-3 0   37
2 00065 28.4664 13.0731 0003571 330.7493 29.2906 15.90324781 23
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Satellite: STS-65

Catalog number: 00065

Epoch time: 94189.76284929 = (08 JUL 94 18:18:30.18 UTC)

Element set: 003

Inclination: 28.4664 deg

RA of node: 13.0731 deg

Space Shuttle Flight STS-65

Eccentricity: .0003571

Prelaunch Element set JSC-003

Arg of perigee: 330.7493 deg

Launch: 08 JUL 94 17:06 UTC

Mean anomaly: 29.2906 deg

Mean motion: 15.90324781 rev/day

Gil Carman, WA5NOM

Decay rate: 5.2344e-04 rev/day^2

NASA Johnson Space Center

Epoch rev: 2

Checksum: 289

[Info via The American Radio Relay League]

★ InfoEspace ★

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As of 20-Jun-94, VE2TRV, has started translating SpaceNews into French for the francophone VE2-population. Mike has noted a lot of recent interest in astronomy and space-related subjects, and believes the French language version of SpaceNews will become very popular. Mike has been translating some articles from SpaceNews for the Laval Laurentian ARC newsletter, and reports the 360 members really appreciate it.

My thanks to VE2TRV for the time and effort of performing the language translation!

★ RS-14 / RS-10 OBSERVATION ★

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During a recent pass of RS-10 over the central United States, OSCAR-21's (RS-14) CW beacon (145.822 MHz) was observed through RS-10's ROBOT on

29.403 MHz at 21:36 UTC on 24-Jun-94.

Orbital analysis showed RS-10 over southern Oklahoma and heading south, while RS-14/A0-21 was over the east coast of Mexico and heading north when the beacon was heard.

Although RS-10's ROBOT input passband (centered on 145.820 MHz) is several kilohertz wide, RS-14's telemetry was heard for only a short period of time because of the high relative motion between the two spacecraft. The Doppler shift this motion produced was well in excess of the ROBOT input passband. The beacon received from RS-14 by RS-10 drifted quickly through the ROBOT passband as the two satellites passed one another over the south central United States.

* THANKS! *

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Thanks to all those who sent messages of appreciation to SpaceNews, especially:

N1MDZ

VE2TRV

G3RHP

F50YH

* FEEDBACK/INPUT WELCOMED *

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Mail to SpaceNews should be directed to the editor (John, KD2BD) via any of the following paths:

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Lincroft, NJ 07738 * \/\ / * Morse : -. - -.. ..--- -... -..

Date: 27 Jun 1994 15:52:10 GMT
From: pacbell.com!sjhawk2@ames.arpa
Subject: 15m interference
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

This weekend four of us operated FD from a location high (8500 ft) in the mountains of Northern Calif. On 15 meters we kept hearing something that sounded like a cross between slow scan, pactor, and the Russian Woodpecker. The individuals sounds were a little like fax but a lot chirpyer and faster. They were very loud 40 to 50 over S-9. The sounds would cover all of 15 meters a times. They would start run for a while ruining the band for 20 to 30 minutes then go away for a while. Several times the rep rate and chirpyness varied. I did not have anything to tape it with or I would have. The interference was only on 15 meters. Upon hearing it I immediately thought of the U.S. version of the Russian Woodpecker, but I have never before heard anything like this. I have two questions.

1. Did anyone else hear this.
2. Does anyone have any ideas what it was.

de WV6U Steve. 73 49 0100 1001

Date: 27 Jun 1994 13:39:00 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!agate!spool.mu.edu!bloom-beacon.mit.edu!senator-bedfellow.mit.edu!crispy@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Anyone USE DTMF Paging ?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

By the way, is DTMF paging allowed on repeaters? Don't you have to ID your paging?

I'm still waiting for my license but I heard few instances of paging over the repeater WITHOUT a call sign.

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Date: 27 Jun 1994 17:10:18 +0100
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!pipex!warwick!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Clipart
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

The University of Warwick Amateur Radio Society is currently in the process of putting together some publicity for next year's fresher's fair. I've been looking for radio-related clipart to include, but to no avail (all I could find was an ARRL logo, which isn't much use in the UK). Does anyone have any ideas where I might find some on the net? (most formats will do).

Thanks a lot,

Rob (President UOWARS).

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Packet radio: G7ELK@GB7WRR (Holidays only.)

This is my world, and I am a world leader pretend.
This is my life, and this is my time.
I have been given the freedom to do as I see fit.
Its high time I razed the walls that I've constructed. (R.E.M.)

Date: 27 Jun 1994 14:16:13 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!howland.reston.ans.net!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!news.umbc.edu!haven.umd.edu!cville-srv.wam.umd.edu!ham@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Hey Hey, My My, What a Field Day
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Decided this year to work with the Laurel, MD ARA as W3DAD. As usual, you're never dressed for the weather - the t-shirt and shorts didn't work well at 50-55 degrees or whatever it was Saturday night - it was COLD!

As much as I lobbied to work in the QRP class, I was told that most of the people there weren't serious ops, and would probably get frustrated by the lack of QSOs and number of calls you had to make to get anywhere.

After living at home with a dipole, and suddenly having a 6-element tribander up on a 35' mast, it was a HUGE treat to be the "BIG SIGNAL" on the band. CW speed went up from 25 to 35 wpm, and I'm still hearing CQ CQ FD de W3DAD W3DAD QRZ ringing in my ears. A friend of mine, Simon, G0GWA, was on business from England, and joined the group with his extensive CW prowess. So if you include all the club members who showed up, and add Simon and myself, you have a total of:

TWO

CW operators. NOBODY in the club worked any CW. Of course, this was good for me since nobody had any desire to displace me from my seat, even when I got up to get something to eat.

Did I mention we only had one key for the two of us? Somebody ran home and got a Vibroplex paddle, but it was hooked up for a lefty. So I flipped it upside down, and used it as a straight, upside-down key, brushing up on my fist which had grown a bit rusty in the year I've had my keyer.

Again, as usual, a different and exciting experience, ending in a flurry of QSOs on 10 meter SSB, with FIVE contacts in the last TWO MINUTES of the exercise. I've never worked so fast in my life.

CU on the bands, 73 and hope y'all had fun

de NF3I

Did I mention the helium-filled blimp holding up the 160 vertical?
Managed some 25 OSOs on that alone!

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73,                                     ----- The
                                     \ / Long Original
Scott Rosenfeld  Amateur Radio NF3I  Burtonsville, MD  |  Live    $5.00
  WAC-CW/SSB  WAS  DXCC - 125 QSLed on dipoles _____|  Dipoles! Antenna!

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Date: Mon, 27 Jun 1994 13:54:47 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!gatech!usenet.ins.cwru.edu!ns.mcs.kent.edu!
kira.cc.uakron.edu!malgudi.oar.net!chemabs!vjh21@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: IC2 mod question
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Please respond directly to

rrw21@cas.org

Can anyone on the net help me with a mod to an Icom IC-2AT?

I need to bring out a signal when squelch is broken.

For my application, that signal can either be a ground,
or a battery voltage level signal.

Does anybody know where in the circuit I can obtain that signal?

Richard R. Wetherald KE80D
Internet: rrw21@cas.org

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Date: Mon, 27 Jun 1994 14:30:53 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!news.intercon.com!udel!gvls1!
rossi@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: License Renewal
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <772329681.AA01202@afarm.uucp> John.Maultsby@f40.n382.z1.fidonet.org
(John Maultsby) writes:

>To: esj@harvee.billerica.ma.us (Eric S Johansson)

> On 06-18-94 Eric S Johansson wrote to All...

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> ES> >>What's the current procedure for renewing my ticket? And how soon

> ES> >>can I do it before the expiration date?

> ES> >>

> ES> >Get a copy of FCC Form 610 from the FCC, the ARRL, or your local ham

> ES> >club, fill it out, attach a copy of your current license, and send it

> ES> >in. You should send it in at least 90 days prior to the expiration

> ES> >date.

> ES>

> ES> I did that (610, 90 days prior...) and my license just expired on the
> ES> 15th
> ES> of june with no sign of a renewal.... when should I panic?
> ES>
> ES> --- eric (hopefully still kaleec)
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>
>I wouldn't worry about it... Probably technically, you're not supposed to
>transmit until you get the new license in your hands, but who's gonna know?
>And who's gonna enforce it? But with only 90 days having passed, I wouldn't
>worry about the form being lost or anything like that. As I'm sure you've
>heard all around, the FCC isn't cranking them out too fast these days!
>
>As much as I relocate, I don't think I'll ever have to worry about renewing,
>since that's covered each time I change my address... :)

As long as you mail in your Form 610 for renewal BEFORE your license expires
you may continue to operate past the expiration date ... if the new license
does not show up before then. Be sure to keep a signed and dated copy of
your 610.

If you wait until after the expiration date to mail your 610 then technically
you should NOT operate until the new license arrives.

So, in theory, you could wait until 1 day before your license expires to mail
in your 610 and then continue to operate past the expiration date... But if
you waited until 1 day after then you should stay off the air until the new
license comes. This question came up back in the mid-70's during the CB
craze and FCC processing was taking 4-6 months.

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Valley Forge Engineering Center - Paoli, Pennsylvania

Date: 27 Jun 94 15:07:46 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: Paket ver 6.0
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Does anyone know where we can get the latest ver of Paket which
is ver 6.0 ?

The word is that it is out.

'flutter' with pitch shifts that seemed to associate with audio strength. Pitch would go down at stronger signal strength, so that the signal almost sounded like vibrato. The onset of a word would cause a downward pitch dip, then recovery.

If you listened to a strong SSB station working a weak station, you'd hear the shifting from the strong transmitter, not the weak one.

I would speculate that this is caused by the BFO not being stable with respect to power supply voltage. When the audio signal peaks, the audio output power stage draws down the DC power supply voltage. Then the BFO, working from the same DC, shifts in freq due to the DC voltage shift. When the audio subsides, the power supply recovers, as does the BFO. Plausible?

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Lee Johnson (leej@austin.ibm.com)

Date: 27 Jun 94 13:57:58 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: What hams do on vacation.
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <FAUNT.94Jun26111329@netcom2.netcom.com> faunt@netcom2.netcom.com (Doug Faunt N6TQS 510-655-8604) writes:

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>Does everyone else go around on vacations scanning rooftops, etc., for
>antennas when on vacation?

I had a dream once about driving down a hill and seeing a tribander on the roof of a 3 story apartment building. After about 2 months, I was driving down a hill not too far from home and there it was! (Even in my sleep I scan!)

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Date: 27 Jun 94 13:45:28 GMT
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu
Subject: You know it's time to quit the hobby when...
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Your family leaves on vacation without you because it's field day!

KD1PF 1D WMA

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Date: 27 Jun 94 12:02:39 -0500
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!galaxy.ucr.edu!library.ucla.edu!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!
ulowell!woods.uml.edu!martinja@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: You Know It's Time to Retire
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

You know it's time to retire from the hobby when:

Shortly after obtaining your callsign "KA5MWD" and using the phonetics
"Mississippi Water Department" or something similar, your XYL gives birth
to twins and every ham for miles around dubs you "Many Wet Diapers."
P.S. One harmonic was already running loose in the shack - in diapers.

Date: Mon, 27 Jun 1994 11:28:15 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!howland.reston.ans.net!newsserver.jvnc.net!yale.edu!
noc.near.net!usenet.elf.com!rpi!psinnntp!arrl.org!ehare@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: YOU KNOW ITS TIME TO RETI
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

lawrence.goodwin@support.com wrote:

: How about when you greet your boss on a monday by saying "Hello Old Man!"
: only to find he doesn't LIKE being called an old man. (Happened to me
: last week.....had a hard time convincing him that it was a friendly
: gesture.)

Is this like telling a new ARRL non-ham employee that "lid" is a term of
great respect among hams, then convincing the hapless newbie to go be
respectful to Dave Sumner? :-)

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Date: Mon, 27 Jun 1994 16:09:33 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!sdd.hp.com!col.hp.com!news.dtc.hp.com!hplextra!hplb!
hpwin055.uksr!hpqmoea!dstock@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: YOU KNOW ITS TIME TO RETI
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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: respectful to Dave Sumner? :-)

Cruel!

Where I started, the newbie was told how special tools were kept in
the tool stores, and was promptly sent off to fetch one :

Newbie "I need the long stand"

Storeskeeper " How long do you want it for ?"

Newbie " Joe said I ought to be finished by lunch"

Storeskeeper " OK, just wait over there"

This was reputed to work very well on many occasions.

Cheers

David

Date: 27 Jun 1994 16:38:26 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!agate!cat.cis.Brown.EDU!NewsWatcher!user@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: YOU KNOW ITS TIME TO RETI
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1994Jun27.112815.14369@arrl.org>, ehare@arrl.org (Ed Hare
(KA1CV)) wrote:

> lawrence.goodwin@support.com wrote:
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> : How about when you greet your boss on a monday by saying "Hello Old Man!"
> : only to find he doesn't LIKE being called an old man. (Happened to me
> : last week.....had a hard time convincing him that it was a friendly
> : gesture.)
>
> Is this like telling a new ARRL non-ham employee that "lid" is a term of
> great respect among hams, then convincing the hapless newbie to go be
> respectful to Dave Sumner? :-)

Actually "lid" is too kind a greeting for Mr. Sumner.

Yes that's right.. the ascerbic wit of KD1NR has returned. Jeez Ed.. I'm surprised they let you post without the official censor seeing that.

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== The opinions above are my own and not those of my employer.

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usenet@network.ucsd.edu
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <2u9ji1\$pi0@search01.news.aol.com>,
<3dF2kiubGky6066yn@access.digex.net>, <1994Jun24.114754.24501@seastar.seastar.org>
Reply-To : ignacy@uiuc.edu (Ignacy Misztal)
Subject : Re: AEA IsoLoop - Opinion

In <1994Jun24.114754.24501@seastar.seastar.org>, jjw@seastar.seastar.org (John Welch) writes:
>As quoted from <3dF2kiubGky6066yn@access.digex.net> by domonkos@access.digex.net (Andy Domonkos):
>
>> In article <2u9ji1\$pi0@search01.news.aol.com>, DGoodman wrote:
>> > In article <940622043027703@michaelr.com>, ray.wade@michaelr.com (Ray
>> > Wade) writes:
>> >
>> > >Dummy loads are RREEAAALLLYYY quiet!
>> >
>> > But they won't let you work 230 countries with 100 watts.
>> >
>> > Danny Goodman AE9F/6
>>

>> Exactly my findings. If the Isolooop isn't working for some reason, double
>> check the installation and location. Remember, loop antennas were in use
>> at the beginning of the radio era, so the designs and concepts are not
>> new, but they are tried and tested. I've got mine in the attic and have been
>> working world-wide DX w/better than average results.

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>> Andy N3LCW

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> We did double-check - it worked, but very poorly. Tried it on a
>couple of bands with similar results.

> Just for grins, last night my wife (WV9K) *did* use a short antenna
>that worked nearly as well - an 8 inch alligator cliplead dangled off
>a 50 ohm resistor. With 70 watts peak SSB, she got S-4 receive
>reports from the 20M Maritime Mobile net control, and 3x3 reports from
>Ohio and Alabama on the 40M 3905 Century Club net (we left early due
>to a t-storm).

> We've had *much better* luck with short wire dipoles thumbtacked to
>the ceiling, and they're *much* cheaper than the loops (and a lot more
>easily packed for a trip). Perhaps the loop advocates are unwilling
>to admit they might have been somewhat mislead by the advertising
>claim ?

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>While (its_not_working())

John Welch, N9JZW

> mess_with_it();

jjw@seastar.org

Perhaps you mounted it horizontally at low height. The difference
between horizontal and vertical mount at 10ft could be 5S or more.

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